

SENATE/HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY AND
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BILL)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning federal financial assistance funding for
2 hazard mitigation.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **29C.7 Hazard mitigation financial**
2 **assistance.**

3 1. If financial assistance is granted by the federal
4 government under the federal Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief
5 and Emergency Assistance Act, Pub. L. No. 93-288, as amended,
6 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq. or the federal National Flood Insurance
7 Reform Act of 1994, Pub. L. No. 103-325, 42 U.S.C. 4001 et seq.
8 for hazard mitigation and section 29C.6 is not applicable,
9 the state may participate in the funding of the financial
10 assistance authorized to a local government in an amount not
11 to exceed ten percent of the eligible expenses, with the
12 applicant providing the balance of any participation amount.
13 If financial assistance is granted by the federal government as
14 described in this section for state-related hazard mitigation,
15 the state may participate in the funding of the financial
16 assistance authorized, not to exceed fifty percent of the total
17 eligible expenses.

18 2. State participation in funding financial assistance to
19 local government under subsection 1 is contingent upon the
20 local government having on file a state-approved, comprehensive
21 emergency plan which meets the standards adopted pursuant to
22 section 29C.9, subsection 8.

23 EXPLANATION

24 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
25 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

26 This bill concerns financial assistance granted by the
27 federal government for hazard mitigation when Code section
28 29C.6, relating to a proclamation of disaster emergency by the
29 governor, is not applicable.

30 The bill provides that if financial assistance for hazard
31 mitigation is granted under the federal Robert T. Stafford
32 Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act or the federal
33 National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, the state may
34 participate in the funding of the financial assistance
35 authorized to a local government in an amount not to exceed

1 10 percent of the eligible expenses. In addition, the
2 bill provides that if financial assistance is granted for
3 state-related hazard mitigation, the state may participate
4 in the funding in an amount not to exceed 50 percent of the
5 total eligible expenses. The bill further provides that state
6 participation in funding financial assistance to a local
7 government is contingent upon the local government having a
8 state-approved comprehensive emergency plan.